

future, the courage to come, to work hard, to play by the rules—that invigorates America. The tradition of family and community and the rest, every immigrant who comes with those values and those goals makes America more American.

I also rise, Mr. Speaker, to talk about a place where immigration and health come together, and I thank President Obama for lifting the travel ban on those infected with HIV. It had been my original intent to seek recognition to talk about World AIDS Day, which we observed yesterday, but I wanted to pay my respect to those who are fasting for immigration.

Our work on HIV-AIDS has been a product of bipartisan cooperation in this Congress over a long period of time. In the White House, though, first with President Clinton, we increased the bilateral programs to fight AIDS and we helped create, authorize, and fund the Global Fund. Then under the leadership of President Bush, we established PEPFAR and provided the necessary funding to ramp up the emergency response to the crisis. President Obama has strengthened those efforts and boosted our investment by launching the National HIV-AIDS Strategy.

In addition to that, President Obama announced that PEPFAR would not only reach its goal of providing treatment for 6 million people by 2013 but will exceed that target by providing 6.7 million people with lifesaving treatment. This is attributed to the leadership of President George W. Bush and to President Obama.

True today, President Obama went further and signed the PEPFAR and Global Fund reauthorization bill into law, and I am proud that President Obama has announced a U.S. commitment of \$1 for every \$2 provided by other donors up to \$5 billion through 2016. This marks a likely \$1 billion increase over previous years. That means more lives saved and quality of life increased.

Our work is far from finished. HIV and AIDS is a really resourceful disease, that virus, ever mutating. Just when you think we have it in our sights, it changes, and so we have to be resourceful to our approach to the HIV-AIDS virus because we will not allow HIV and AIDS to claim so many lives when we have within our means the science, the prevention, the care, the search for a cure to make a difference. One of the most exciting parts of it is that we will now be able to have an AIDS-free generation of transmittal from mother-to-child, which is quite remarkable, among other remarkable aspects of it.

This is an important issue about our values as a country, our concern for people in our community and globally across the world, which takes us back to the beautiful reception that our fasters for immigration received when they were here earlier.

As a mom and as a grandmother, I would encourage them not to fast very

much longer, but I want them to know that we all recognize their sacrifice, understand the need to pass comprehensive immigration reform, and hope that will happen soon.

UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH AT BRADFORD CELEBRATES 50TH ANNIVERSARY

(Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 50th anniversary of the University of Pittsburgh at Bradford, which is located in McKean County, Pennsylvania.

Fifty years ago, Pitt-Bradford was a few buildings with just about 300 students. Over the decades, the school has grown from a 2-year feeder campus to a distinguished and thriving 4-year university.

Today, Pitt-Bradford's campus is home to 1,600 students and about 10,000 alumni from across the entire country. The university offers 37 bachelor's degrees, five associate degrees, and more than 50 minors. For the last 9 consecutive years, Pitt-Bradford has been ranked by The Princeton Review as one of the best colleges in the Northeast.

Due to the university, local industries have greater access to scientific and technical expertise. Area residents have access to a growing number of jobs, and the region's economy has greatly benefited as a result.

I offer my praise to the university's founders and the generations of school administrators, teachers, and students who have worked to turn the small campus into a renowned institution of higher learning.

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LIVE WELL SAN DIEGO

(Mr. PETERS of California asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. PETERS of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to highlight the growing involvement of San Diego area schools and businesses in the Live Well San Diego initiative. Live Well San Diego engages the San Diego community from government, business, military, faith groups, and schools to improve the health, fitness, and safety of our residents.

Preventable chronic diseases contribute to over 50 percent of deaths in the region, and Live Well San Diego is working to find innovative ways to reduce their impact and lower national health care costs in the long term. Through involvement with schools in my district, Live Well San Diego is reducing childhood obesity through daily physical education and recess breaks.

Earlier this year, the San Diego North Chamber of Commerce joined with Live Well San Diego to educate

area business owners about creating workplaces that focus on health and wellness.

Clear Channel Communications has also partnered with Live Well San Diego to spread the word. Recently, the initiative launched a Web site, livewellsd.org, to give residents information to live healthier lives.

Live Well San Diego is an example of how collaborative public-private partnerships are working to improve public health. I am proud of the work that Live Well San Diego is doing for the people of San Diego County. Our residents are happier and healthier because of it.

THE OUTSTANDING SERVICE OF WESLEY ENHANCED LIVING

(Mr. FITZPATRICK asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 125 years of outstanding service and community involvement of Wesley Enhanced Living, a Philadelphia, Bucks County, and Montgomery County faith-based institution providing wonderful service to my district.

For more than a century, the professional, dedicated staff at Wesley has provided a crucial service to seniors around the Delaware Valley. Following their guiding values of grace, honor, and integrity, Wesley has strived to serve the aging population and better their golden years.

Beyond the task of caring for its residents, the leadership at Wesley Enhanced Living has been open and forthcoming towards new and innovative ways to help seniors across the country. By working in unison with leaders in the field, we have been able to find better ways to represent the seniors in my district and serve the needs of those who care for them each day.

I wish the best for Wesley Enhanced Living, and I hope that their commitment to our community continues for another 125 years.

WORLD AIDS DAY

(Ms. JACKSON LEE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, yesterday was World AIDS Day. And before I left my home district this morning, I gathered with longtime friends and fighters against the surge and the scourge of HIV/AIDS.

Although we have come a long way and made a great difference, 50,000 people are affected each year by HIV/AIDS. This is the 32nd year of the establishment or the announcement of the epidemic of HIV/AIDS, and today some 34 million-plus around the world live with HIV/AIDS. Every 9½ minutes, someone in this country is infected with AIDS.

So I stand here in salute of the Thomas Street Health Center and the